Ryton and Grindle Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Wednesday 18th May 2022, Held at St Andrew's Church, Ryton, 7.40pm

In attendance: Cllrs John Webb, Sarah Williams, Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis; Caroline Davis; Gina Somerville, and the Parish Clerk

22.1 Election of Chairman

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved that Cllr John Webb be re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council

22.2 Election of Vice Chairman

The election of a Vice-Chairman was deferred

Cllr Sarah Williams and Cllr Gina Somerville both said that they would be resigning from the Parish Council due to other commitments and would put this in writing following the meeting

22.3 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

22.4 Apologies

Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis had said that he would be late to the meeting

22.5 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this time

22.6 Public Forum

There were no members of the public present and no questions filed in advance of the meeting

22.7 Shropshire Councillor's Report

There was no report at this time

22.8 Minutes

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 16th March 2022

22.9 Clerk's Report

The Parish Clerk reported that a news article had been put in the Parish Magazine following the last meeting.

She had spoken to the police who were going to send a contact list for the Parish noticeboard. She had also spoken to the website providers, a Twitter link is live on the Parish Council website.

22.10 Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Cllr Caroline Davis gave an update on plans to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022. She said that some people who were originally involved in the plans would now be away and that as a consequence she had looked at alternatives to a Parish street party. She sought ideas on either joining with Beckbury village or holding a garden party on her property's lawn.

Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis joined the meeting

Cllr Caroline Davis said that she had met with the Beckbury organisers and that the plan would be for residents of Ryton and Grindle to join in on a do-it-yourself basis bringing their own tables, chairs and picnic. Lifts would be available if necessary. Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis said that he thought joining with Beckbury was the best way to go.

Cllr Sarah Williams said that there had been an impression that Ryton and Grindle Parish Council were putting on an event. However, Cllr Caroline Davis stressed that she had put out leaflets and had visited various people before concluding that an alternative to a Parish event was the most viable option.

The discussion concluded with an agreement that interested residents could have the option of joining either the street party at Beckbury or the garden party, both on a do-it-yourself basis. Cllr Caroline Davis said she would notify residents of the options via WhatsApp and that she would put up some posters.

Cllr John Webb said that he had been given consent by a resident to light a beacon on their land on the evening of Thursday 2nd June as part of the Jubilee celebrations.

22.11 Finance

22.11.1

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve the following payments:-

Clerk - £325.18 salary for Quarter 1

HMRC - £81.20 PAYE for Quarter 1

Clerk - £28.80 travel expenses for Quarter 1

22.11.2 There were no any receipts to note at this time

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to receive and approve the following:

- a) To approve the Reconciliation and Bank Statements for end of month of March 2022
- b) To approve Receipts and Payments including income and expenditure spreadsheets to month of March 2022
- c) To approve the Asset Register to the end of March 2022

22.11.4

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to note:

a) Internal Audit - to note

It was proposed seconded, and **resolved** to approve:

- b) The Certificate of Exemption
- c) The Annual Governance Form
- d) The Annual Return 2021-2022
- e) The Exercise of Public Rights the period to be 13th June 2022 to 22nd July 2022

22.12 Planning

a) Planning notifications

There were no new planning notifications

b) Planning decisions:

It was noted that following the publication of the agenda, the following plans had been granted permission:

22/01289/FUL: Demolition of timber framed pergola to rear of garage, erection of single storey flat roof extension to rear elevation of existing garage for use as a home gymnasium and construction of a domestic 8 x 4m uncovered external swimming pool

Ryton Court, Ryton, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9JN.

View the application directly online: http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=R8SVJ7TDMBA00

22/01395/FUL

2 Worfelands, Ryton, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9JJ

Erection of first floor side extension; insertion of rooflights to facilitate loft conversion; erection of porch to front elevation

View online at: http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=R95MJ3TD02B00

C) There were no other planning matters at this time

22.13 Highways

a) Highway maintenance

Cllr John Webb noted that the large pothole on Whiston Bank, outside of the Parish, had been filled in.

It was noted that the verges on Havenhills Lane were overgrown and that the vegetation by Grindleforge Bridge was also overgrown, and that both should be reported to Highways.

b) Any other highway matters

There were no other highways matters to discuss at this time

22.14 Environment

a) Climate Emergency: to consider any action

It was suggested that information on grants for home energy surveys might be a suitable inclusion for a Parish Magazine article.

b) Triangles

An update on the Triangles maintenance project had been given in the Annual Parish Meeting. Olive's Corner will be underplanted with wildflowers.

c) Maintenance Contract

There was discussion on the benefits of keeping the village tidy and the work that had been undertaken in the last financial year by the contractor Riverwood. This work included cutting the grass on the triangles, litter-picking along verges and cleaning the village signposts.

Cllr Sarah Williams said that she had a file reviewing requirements that she would pass on. She suggested that strimming at the village entrance, as approached from Albrighton, be included, as this had been mentioned in the review. This was agreed by the Parish Council.

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to renew the maintenance contract with Riverwood for the year 2022/2023.

It was **agreed** that the Parish Clerk file a request for an Environmental Maintenance Grant with Shropshire Council, as part of the work would be on Shropshire Council land.

d) Dog fouling

It was noted that Olive's Corner into Grindle and down the lane past Field House were the worst areas for dog fouling.

There was some discussion about possible action that could be taken in the future, but a general agreement that for now a polite reminder in the Parish Magazine would suffice.

e) Any other Environment matter

There were no other environmental matters to discuss at this time

22.15 Defibrilator

Cllr John Webb said he had spoken to a trust about the funding of a defibrillator, but that the sticking point was finding a suitable site. Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis said that he would speak to a landowner in Ryton whose land had a suitable location.

22.16 Correspondence

The following were noted:

- a) Shropshire Council: Road Closure on A442 Sutton Maddock Island to County boundary between 5th May and 1st June 2022Surface Dressing Site 196 Works to Include:- Prep Works 05/05/2022-06/05/2022 (Nightworks 20:00-06:00) Dressing Works 11/05/2022-13/05/2022 Lining Works 31/05/2022-01/06/2022 Weather dependent and subject to change.
- b) West Mercia Police: request for policing priorities information. The existing parish priorities had been filed rural crime (theft and vandalism), wildlife crime, and flytipping.

22.17 Any other Parish Matters

a) Content of Notice Boards

Cllr John Webb said he had taken down some business adverts that he did not think were appropriate for the Parish notice boards.

b) To discuss any other matters brought to the attention of the Parish Council not otherwise covered on the Agenda

The church had contacted Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis about the possibility of using the Parish Council's table when it was not in use. No problem was seen with this arrangement and it was agreed that this could go ahead.

22.18 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be on 20th July 2022 at St Andrew's Church, Ryton, 7.30pm, but may need to be re-scheduled to ensure the meeting is quorate